

B&D gains on two fronts

Boosts profits, becomes market-driven: Heiner

BY MARY ANN BACHER

SHELTON, Conn. - Dennis Heiner says his vision for Black & Decker is starting to become a reality.

In late 1985, when he joined B&D as president of the house-hold products group, Heiner set two strategic objectives: to make the business more profitable and to make it more market-driven. In his estimation, progress is being made on both fronts. "We've got a strategic plan to

meet our objectives," he says, "and my position is the plan is

working."

B&D reported record results in fiscal 1987 ended last September and, according to Heiner, the improvement was even stronger in household products than it was in power tools. That was in power tools. That momentum continued into the first quarter of fiscal 1988, he adds, when B&D again reported record results.

"Our operating profits are at the highest level ever," Heiner

reports: "As profits as a return on sales, we're in solid double digits. As for return on net assets, return on equity, we're again in solid double digits."

Heiner cites two reasons for the profit improvement:

First, the household products group lowered its break-even point \$125 million as the result of a major restructuring program begun in 1986. "That went a long way toward improving our profitability," he says.

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more market-driven, B&D launched a series of high-er-priced, higher-margin products to meet consumer needs. "We began to realize the benefits of trading up in the first quarter of this year," Heiner says. "It helped our sales and profit per-formance."

He outlines just how new products fit into B&D's strategy of becoming market-driven, not only at the retail level, but at the

consumer level as well.
"We are offering the ultimate consumer new products with real benefits, not just gimmicks," he says, whether it's the convenience of the HandySeries or the peace of mind of the Automatic Shut-Off irons, "We also are making certain these ben-efit-oriented products are of con-sistent high quality. And, finally, we are making sure they provide real value to the con-

sumer."

To become market-driven at

the retail level, B&D is providing a steady flow of new products, then supporting the products with strong advertising and customer service programs, Heiner says. The company also is stand-

ing behind its products once they've been sold, he adds. "I look at new products as the lifeblood of the business," he says. "They make a business grow and thrive. We've had three quarters of strong sales growth, and new products were the stimulus.

Heiner underscores just how important new products have become to Black & Decker: In 1987, 30 percent of sales came from products two years old or less - up dramatically from 17 percent in 1986 and 3 percent the year before. In the first quarter of 1988, products that were two years old or less accounted for 43 percent of sales — an amount that should hold through the year, Heiner projects.
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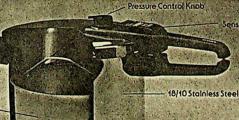
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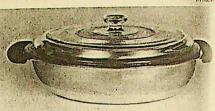


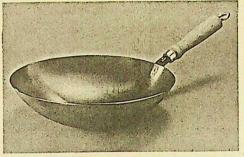
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Product: Tri-Metal Stain Steel Mini Wok
Features: Has even heat cond tivity of a carbon steel component of easy-to-clean stainless at Heavy-duty, said to be excel for stir-frying and sauteing. Suggested Retail: \$26 Manufacturer: Atlas Metal Spaing Co., South San Francisco

Product: Chantal Speed Cooker Features: Six-quart capacity with heavy thermic base for even heat distribution and two-piece main valve for easy cleaning. Converts to standard stockpot/ steamer. In blue and white. Suggested Retail: \$175

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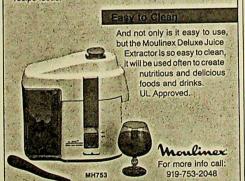
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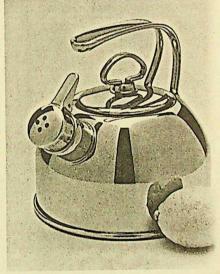
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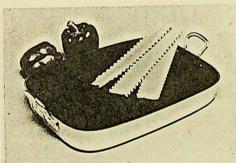
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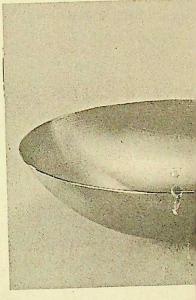
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"Now that people are money-rich and time-poor, they need something that helps them prepare food quickly, and that's one of the benefits of pressure cookers," said Bob McElroy, buyer at Bloomingdale's.

Schjorring said, "We see a renaissance in pressure cookers. We're convinced the high end of pressure cookers is going to grow for the next two to three years."

Judging from the number of suppliers who have come out with models at the high end, Schjorring could just be right.

The ranks include Fissler, T-Fal, Cuisinarts, Prestige and Bay City International, the U.S. distributor for the Hawkins Futura pressure cooker produced by Hawkins Cookers Ltd. of Bombay, India.

T-Fal, a French cookware company, updated its pressure cooker line in January, introducing products with an unusual Sensor safety system. The T-Fal pressure cookers, in three sizes, have a unique pressure-sensitive locking mechanism in the handle that automatically activates the lock as soon as pressure build-up begins. The lid cannot be opened until the pressure is safely teleased.

Henry Read, vice president of

sales and marketing at T-Fal's U.S. subsidiary, noted, "Sales on our pressure cookers, through the month of May, are 47 percent ahead of where sales were in 1986."

Cuisinarts' pressure cookers come in four-quart, six-quart, and eight-quart sizes, and have permanently affixed pressure regulators that cannot fly off. They also have quick pressure release knobs in the handles, making it safer and easier to stop the cooking process.

Sontheimer said response to his line has been "rather outstanding," terming it much bigger than he had anticipated.

Fissler's products are equipped with a series of release valves which prevent over-pressure and cool steam before releasing it.

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The Futura pressure cooker from Bay City International, introduced last September, is novel for its futuristic design. It is one of the few pressure cookers of anodized aluminum on the market. According to Jack Knippel, president, "Success has been tremendous," noting that a larger model will be added in the fall.

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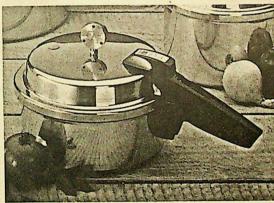
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Oser also carries two models from Presto, and will be bringing in an imported unit next month.
Oser said the imported model will be similar in quality to Cuisinarts' but will retail at slightly less for more popular 1988.

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Bourgeat unveils
3 roasting pans in
1st ovenware line
WOBURN, Mass. — Bourgeat,

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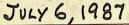
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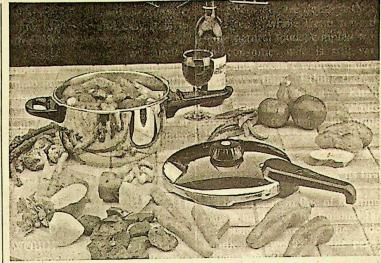
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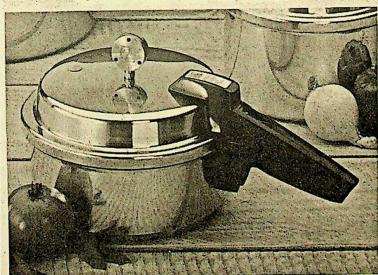




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winning over consumers who like the benefits of quick and healthy cooking, but who had shied away because of safety concerns, retailers and suppliers say.

Remington joins with AMC to develop line of appliances

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. - Remington Products has joined with Associated Merchandising Corp.
(AMC) to develop the Remington Xtra line of personal care, travel and coffee-preparation appliances.

The line, slated to be introduced for the fall selling season, will be merchandised exclusively through participating AMC stores.

"AMC originally approached us to license our name for coffeemakers, and we expanded the concept to include other prod-ucts," said Rich Murdy, director of exports/special markets at Remington, "We're excited about the program," he added.

Each of the three categories has been given its own logo and moniker, according to Steve Rose, merchandising product manager at AMC.

"The coffee line will be called Top Brew, personal care prod-ucts will be sold under the Looking Good label, and the travel line will be Going For It,"

Going For It is the name of a book authored by Victor Kiam, Remington's president and chief executive officer.

"We are still developing the product lines," said Rose, "and plan to put them in all our domestic stores. Placement in

our Canadian and overseas stores is possible for the future."

The Remington Xtra line will be styled in white — "pure, stark white," according to Murdy - with black trim. Packaging, designed by AMC, will feature a two-tone gray ground accented with a red stripe.

Shipping dates have not yet been set.

The Remington brand, well established in electric shavers, will be new to the kitchen appliance and personal care appliance categories. The brand was introduced to the travel category 18 months ago, when Remington began marketing the Travel Plus line of shavers, adapter plugs, electricity converters, hair dryers and related appliances.

Allegheny sells 2 divisions; in agreement to sell a third warehouses.

PITTSBURGH, Pa. - In a | continuing effort to narrow its corporate focus and concentrate primarily on its North American consumer products businesses, Allegheny International has sold two subsidiaries, and reached an agreement to sell a third.

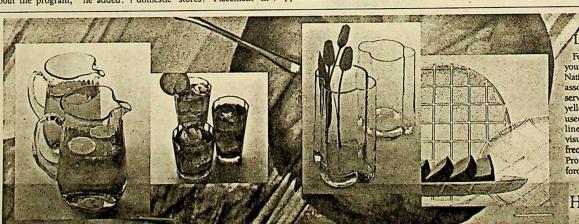
Allegheny has sold Bally Engineered Structures Inc., and the Bally division of Sunbeam Corp. (Canada) Ltd. to Bally Acquisition Corp. which was formed by senior management to effect the acquisition. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Bally Engineered Structures, based in Bally, Pa., is a major U.S. producer of walk-in coolers, freezers and refrigerated

Allegheny has also sold Bra-Con Industries Inc., based in Livonia, Mich., to Dollar Corp. of Troy, Mich. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

Bra-Con and Dollar are both designers and builders of automated welding-assembly systems for the automobile, appliance and farm equipment industries. Dollar plans to retain the Bra-Con name.

Allegheny has reached an agreement to sell its John Zink Co. subsidiary to an affiliate of Lone Star Technologies Inc. of



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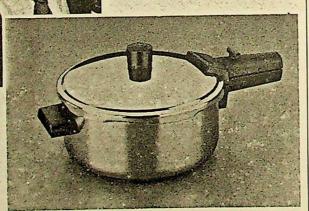
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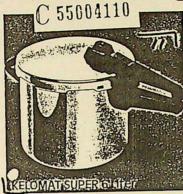


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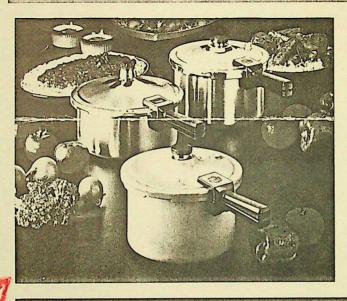
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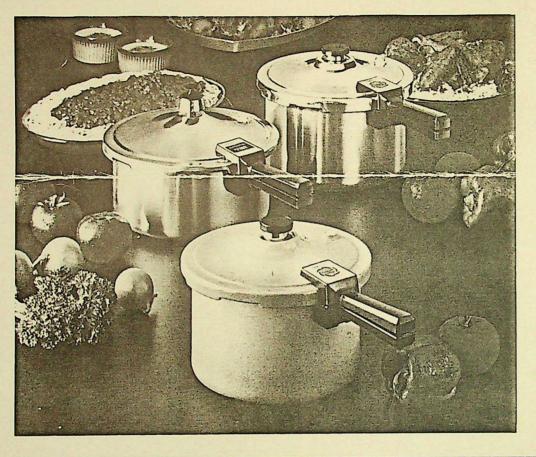
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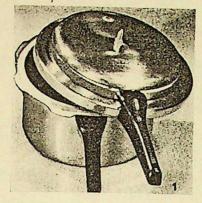
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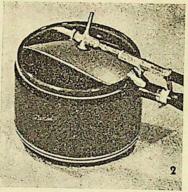
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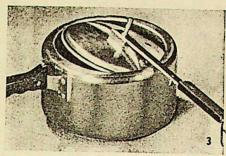
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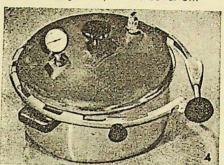






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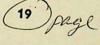
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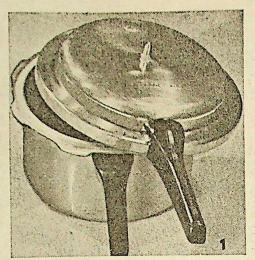
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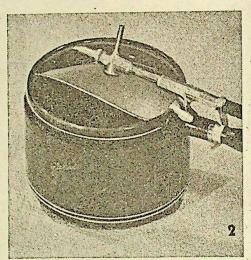
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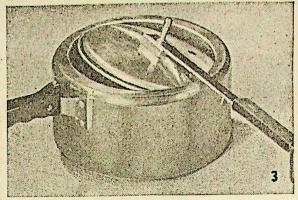
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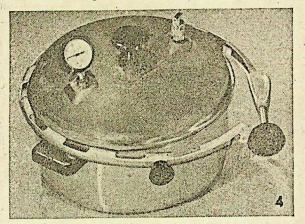






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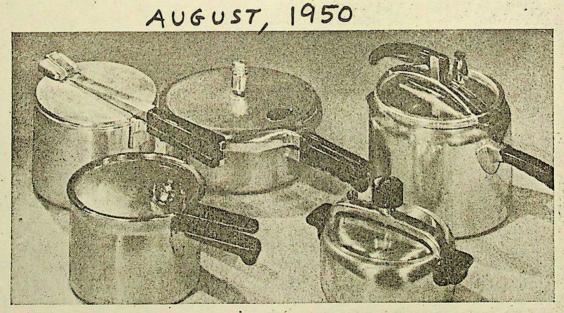
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Pressure cookers are so called because they hold steam inside so that pressure is built up. As a result, temperatures are higher than in an ordinary pan, and cooking is speedier. Most time is saved when the cooker is used for foods that need long cooking—dry beans, less tender meats, and poultry. At high altitudes where food cooks more slowly because of the lower boiling point of water, the pressure cooker offers a special advantage.

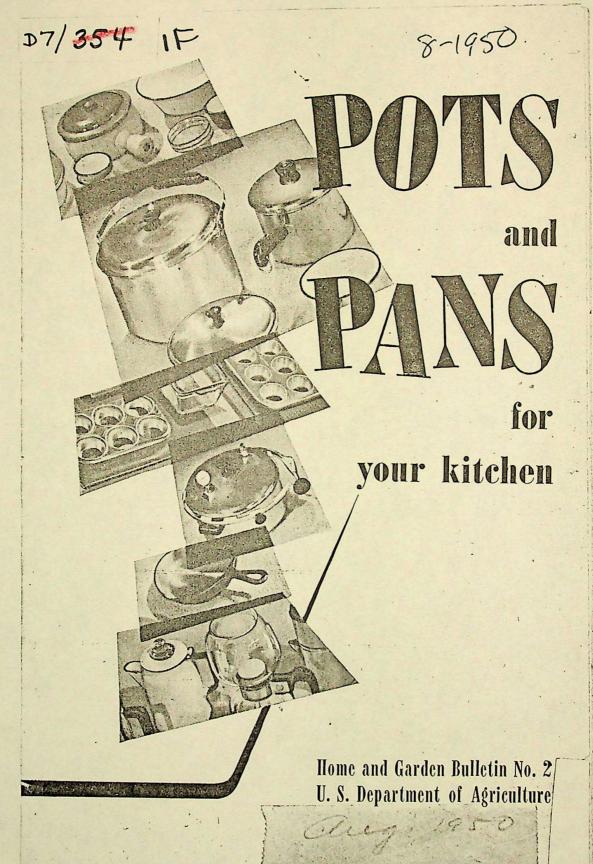
In using a pressure cooker, remember that steam cooking cannot be expected to duplicate the results of open-pan oven cooking.

- Materials. Because the pressure cooker does its work by steam pressure—a powerful force—the utensil must be made of good-quality materials and constructed carefully and sturdily. Heavy-gage sheet aluminum or aluminum alloy, cast aluminum, or stainless steel are the materials generally used.
- Sizes. Most manufacturers make cookers of approximately 4-quart capacity. A few make smaller ones of about 2½ quarts and several are now making larger ones of 6- to 8-quart sizes. The little cookers hold enough of most vegetables for a small family, but if you want to use the cooker for meats, the medium or large sizes will probably be more satisfactory. A pressure skillet, designed especially for meat cookery, is



Some of the many pressure cookers on the market: 4-quart sizes in aluminum and stainless steel, broad skillet, 7-quart and 2½-quart cookers.

ront Cover



Tools for food preparation and dishwashing

*1	beater, rotary	*1	mixing bowl, 1 quart
*1	bottle and jar opener	*1	mixing bowl, 2 quart
*1	can opener (for tin cans)	*1	mixing bowl, 4 quart
*1	colander	*1	orange or fruit juicer or reamer
*1	cutting board	*1	pan, round, 12 inch
1	flour sifter	*1	potato or food masher
1	food chopper (crank type)	*1	rolling pin
1	food mincer (blade type)	*1	spatula, 7-inch blade
1	food press	*1	spoon, basting, long handle
*1	fork, 2 tines, long handle	*1	spoon, perforated mixing, long handle
	grater and shredder set	*1	spoon, wooden, 11 inch
*1	knife, bread or slicing, 8-inch blade	1	spoon, wooden, 15 inch
	knife, butcher, 7- or 8-inch blade	*1	set spoons, measuring
*1	knife, case	*1	strainer to fit top of cup
*1	knife, paring.	*1	strainer, medium size, medium mesh
	knife sharpener	*1	turner, pancake, long handle
+1	ladle		dish drainer
*1	measure, 1 cup	*1	dishpan
*1	measure, 1 pint	*1	pan to fit under dish drainer or second
*1	measure, 1 quart		dishpan
*1	set measures, 1/4, 1/3, 1/2, and 1 cup	*1	sink strainer

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*1 mixing bowl, 1 pint

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